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Policy

The Omen is a bimonthly publication that is the world's only example of the consistent application of a straightforward policy: we publish all signed submissions from members of the Hampshire community that are not libelous. Send us your impassioned yet poorly-thought-out rants, self-insertion fan fiction, MS Paint comics, and whiny emo poetry: we'll publish it all, and we're happy to do it. The Omen is about giving you a voice, no matter how little you deserve it. Since its founding in December of 1992 by Stephanie Cole, the Omen has hardly ever missed an issue, making it Hampshire's longest-running publication.

Your Omen submission (you're submitting right now, right?) might not be edited, and we can't promise any spellchecking either, so any horrendous mistakes are your fault, not ours. We do promise not to insert comical spelling mistakes in submissions to make you look foolish.

Your submission must include the name you use around campus: an open forum comes with a responsibility to take ownership of your views. (Note: Views expressed in the Omen do not necessarily reflect the views of the Omen editor, the Omen staff, or anyone, anywhere, living or dead.)

The Omen staff consists of whoever shows up for Omen layout, which usually takes place on alternate Thursday nights in the basement of Merrill in the company of a computer with an extremely inadequate monitor. You should come. We don't bite. You can find the Omen on other Thursdays in Saga, the post office, online at <http://expelallo.men>, and just about any other place we can find to put it.

Staff Box: (In order of appearance)

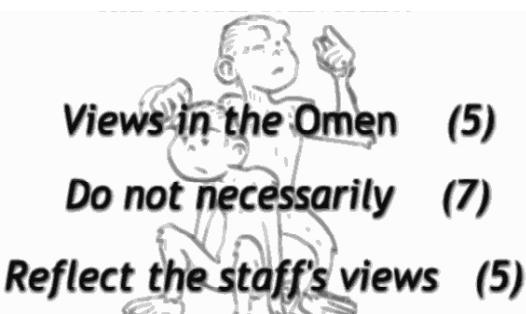
Finn: Ellie the dachsund

Ida: The chipmunk that hides and/or lives in the drain near FPH and Merrill quad

Front Cover: Ida Kao (inspired by r/Dogue on Reddit)

Back Cover: Ida Kao

Submissions are due always, constantly, so submit forever. You can submit in any format (no PDFs please) by CD, Flash Drive, singing telegram, carrier pigeon, paper airplane, Fed-Ex, Pony Express, or email. Get your submissions to omen@hampshire.edu, the Omen Office or Chloe's mailbox (0369)



EDITORIAL

Ida Kao

Quarantine has really gotten to everyone, huh? I used to be on top of everything, but now I'm taking naps all the time and it's taken me nearly a month to get this issue out when I told several people I would get it done the same weekend. My life in general has turned into a blur of Zoom meetings and running out for food in leggings and Allbirds (which are incredibly comfortable and require no socks, making them the best shoes ever, even if they are the uniform of the Silicon Valley bro). But hey, it's not like there's any place at Hampshire that's dedicated to posting pictures of cute creatures, and if we can't go out and pet any animals in real life, we might as well look at them on a computer screen. The sheer quantity of pictures the Omen inbox was flooded with was delightful, certainly, because who doesn't want to see a fluffy bunny (shoutout to Hannah) and a prickly creature (shoutout to Ali) that a certain piebald doxie tried to take a bite of. And if my dog were on campus I would take up Anna Kempf on her offer to take pics of pets, but my dog isn't so I can't. Nonetheless, I still hope she gets some people wanting pics of their pooch and other pets.

I have some incredible news... over the summer the Omen sheep have mutated... into the **OMEN LEAF SHEEP**. Their hunger has not been satiated for so long that they learned to adapt in response to their circumstances. How, you may ask, could a large mammal such as a sheep suddenly transform into a 1 cm sea slug that consumes algae? The answer is to not think about it too much. They're the Omen (leaf) sheep. Hopefully they'll de-mutate back to normal sheep and go back to feeding on confusing rants, anger and hate towards objects/people/concepts that deserve anger and hate (like people that kick puppies) and memes when people are finally allowed to go out without fear of inadvertently killing themselves or their friends and family that are elderly/immunocompromised/otherwise at risk of dying in response to a COVID-19 infection.

One last note: Let me know if I left your pet pic out, especially if you sent it through text/Instagram/anything other than email, because I definitely didn't mean to; the next issue will not be specifically for pets or pictures of them, but I can still put some more in! And please feel free to submit more pet pics!

Many submitted more than one and asked me to submit the cuter one or said to contact them for more if I wanted to, but there were so many submissions I could barely keep track of the ones I had.

So, without further ado, enjoy the pet pics, and remember to submit more! I make every effort to keep track of submissions, but email is definitely the most reliable way of making sure it makes into the next issue! And remember, The Omen will always love you.

- Ida Kao, editrix

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"What a great idea <3

This is my rescue pug mutt from Alabama. Her name is Mookie."

Submitted by Amanda Sorgen



"Kobe"



Submitted by Zauyah Waite

"Hi there!

I wanted to send in my puppy cuz hes very cute! His name is x!

Can't wait to see everyone's pets in the issue! :)

Best,

Nat Mongilio
(they/them)"



"thunder is books"



Submitted by Jonathan Gardner 11F



"Hello,

This is Amálaki,
an African pygmy
hedghog.
Whichever is cuter you
can use"

Submitted by Ali
Caraveo



Also submitted by Ali Caraveo



"I saw y'all were looking for animal submissions, here is Spirit...
-andrew"



Submitted by Andrew Gnatek

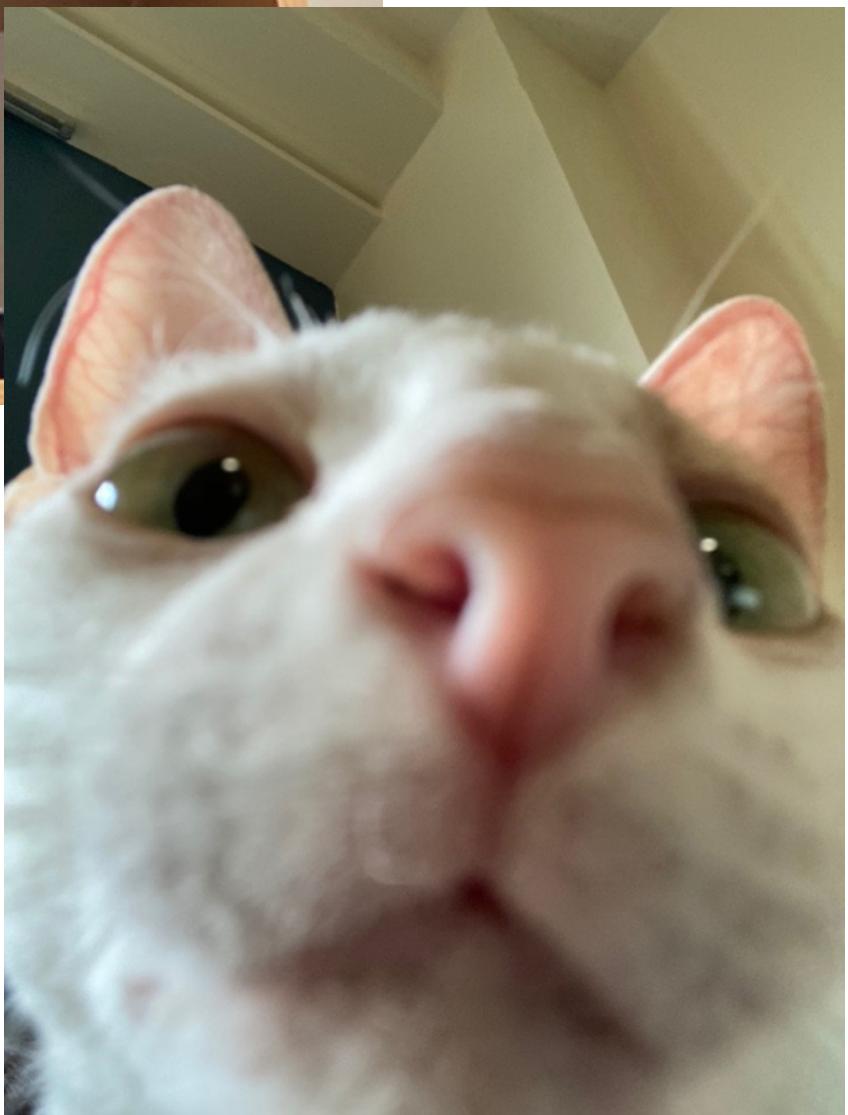
"My cats Puff and Nugget lol"



"Hi!

I've attached two pictures of my cat, Alice. I couldn't pick between the two, so feel free to choose whichever one you want!

Thanks!
Katie Rowan"

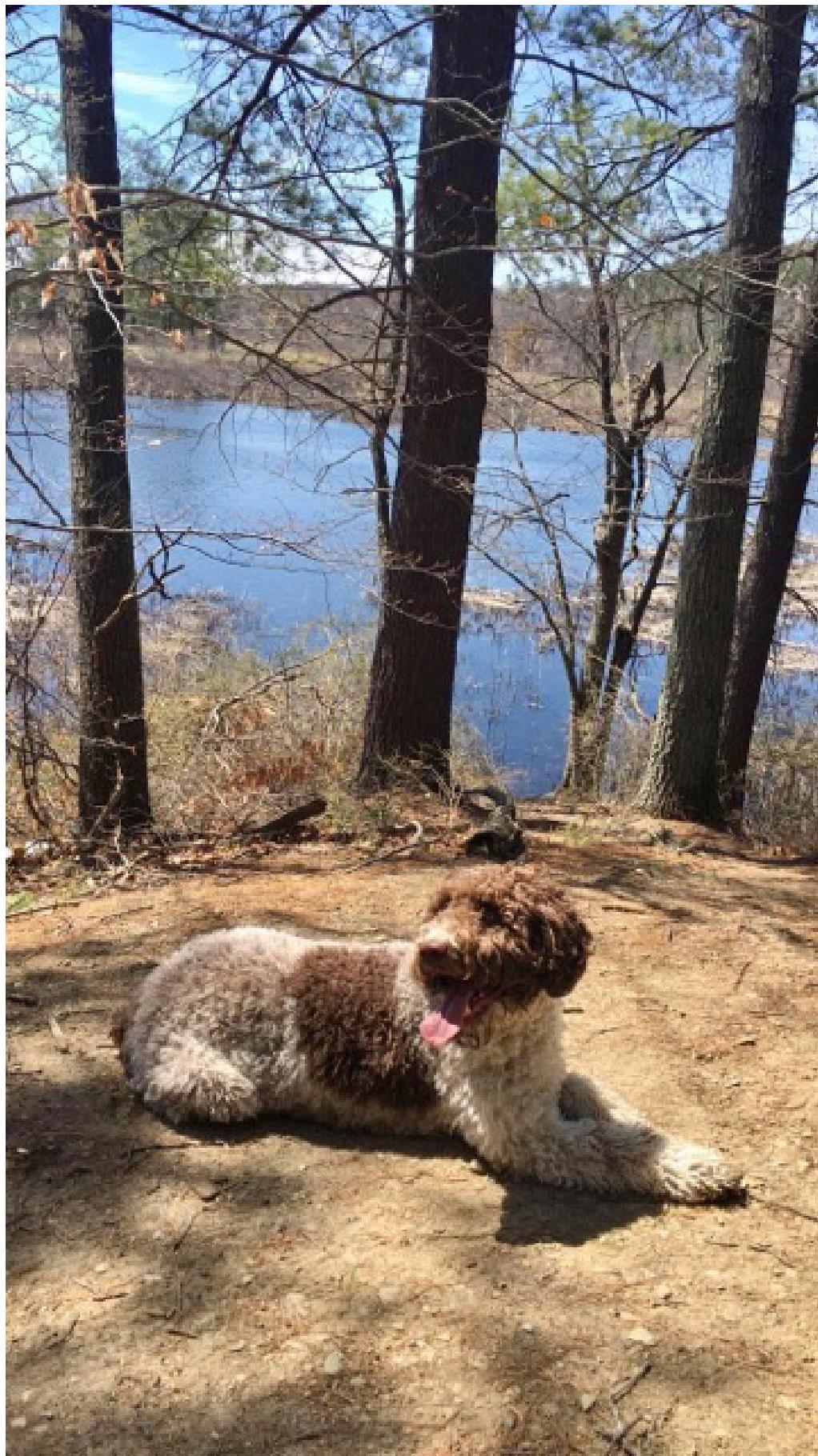


"Chris
Jarvis....

Wilson the
hound."



Submitted by Jess Liliedahl



“I’m Jess
L she/her
F2020 and
this is my
dog Ren
:) she’s a
Spanish
water dog”

"Hi!

My name is Isabella and I'm a third year transfer student at Hampshire College. Here is a photo of my dog, Holly for The Omen! She's a miniature schnauzer.

Sincerely,
Isabella Neblett
(class of 20F)"



"Turnip!"

Submitted by
Micael Sobel
F16





Submitted by Jamie Morrell



"Hello, here are a couple pictures of my 2 year old dog Cali. Please let me know if you need any other information, I more than happy provide more.

My name is Jamie and I am the manager of the Multisport on campus. I have a few more pictures of Cali if you want or need more, but figured I would share these 2 first.

Thanks,

Jamie"

Submitted by Jamie Morrell



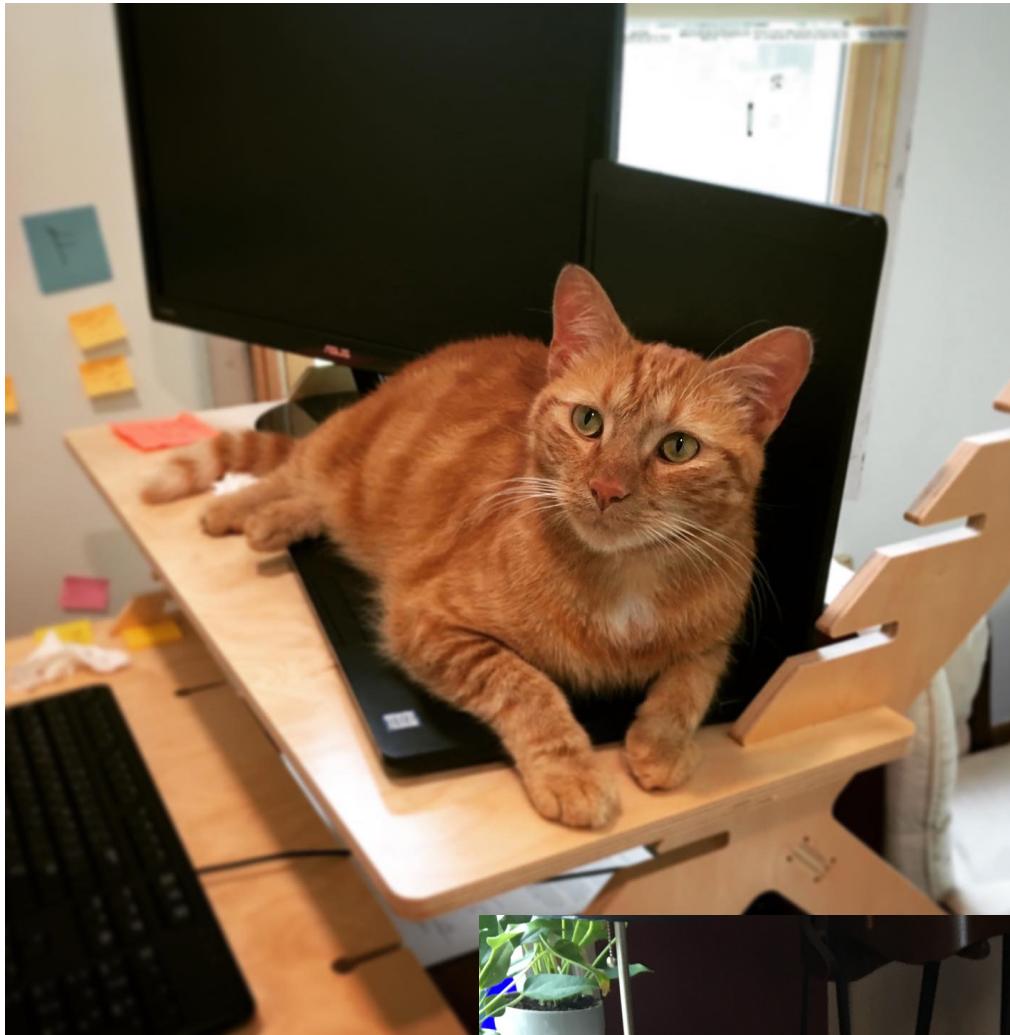
"wayne the demon cat"

Submitted by John Wildman



"Because you said we can send these to you... this is the cat that lives in Dakin basement. He's known as the "Orange Terror" and haunts students who live in H section. Some of his hobbies include bird watching, indoor parkour, Netflix, and he finds salmon irresistible. Besides "Orange Terror," he also responds to being called "Thomas".

Not sure you needed all this but I find context is always nice."



Submitted by Sara Draper



'This is Nico (Nicholas).

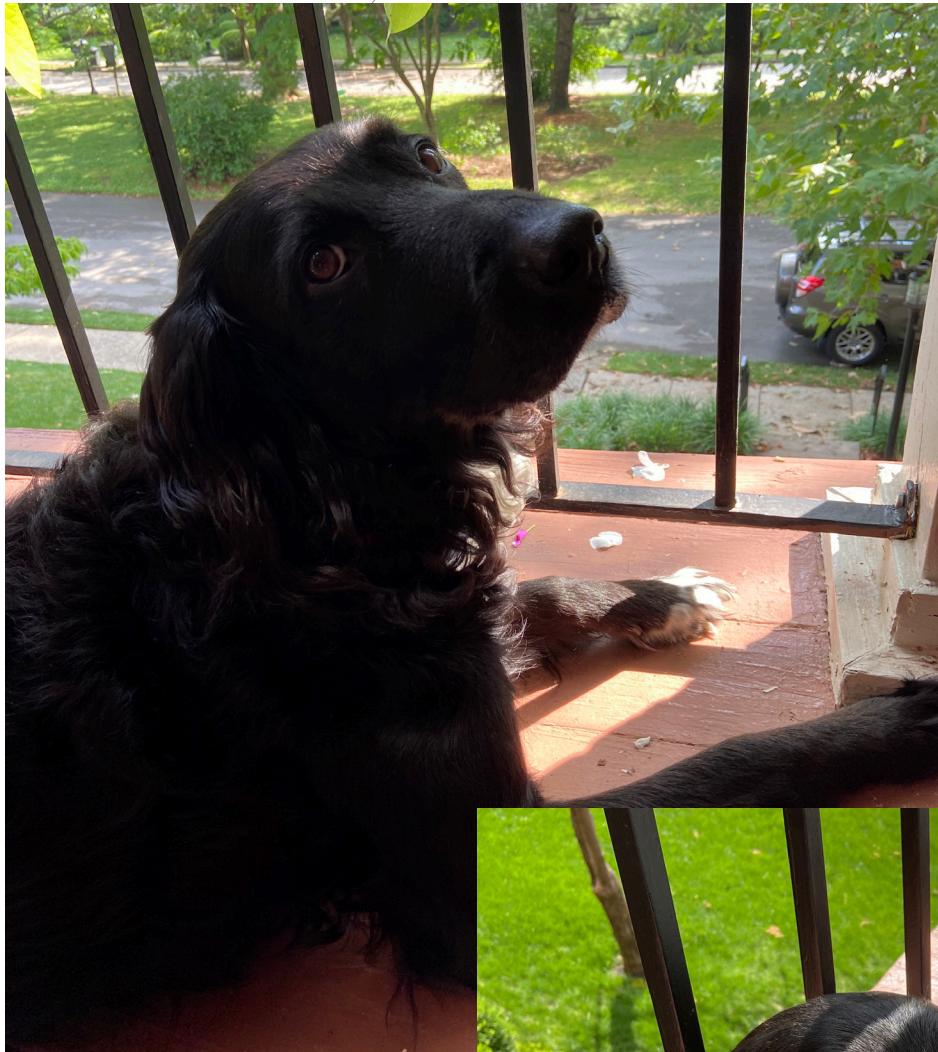
Known acquaintances include the groundhog who lives under the shed and anyone who feeds him.

Primary interests are chasing grasshoppers, head boops, and Whatever You Are Cooking. He also moonlights as a bathtub lifeguard and pest control expert (though he is much better at making friends with pests than managing them).

He is a sucker for chicken; a dangerous weakness.

He fears only the vacuum. And children. And Asshole Cat, the neighborhood bully. And sometimes the garden hose. But really he's very brave.

Humbly submitted by,
Nico's Person (Sara)"



Submitted by Maddie Nicholson

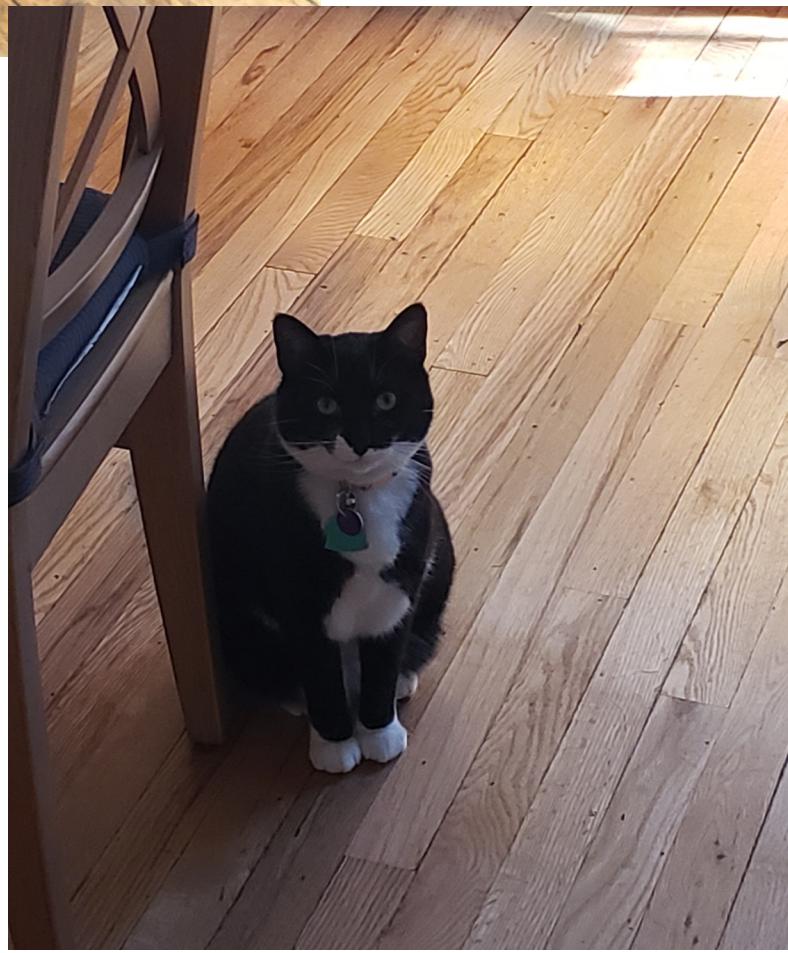
**"Photos
of my little
lady for
The Omen!
Her name is
Sadie."**





"Hello yes I would like to submit for viewing the lovely Sam G. Kitty (all black), and her aunt Edwinna (tuxedo)."

Submitted by Elizabeth Broekman





“Ellie
pics!!!”

Submitted by Grace Laigaie



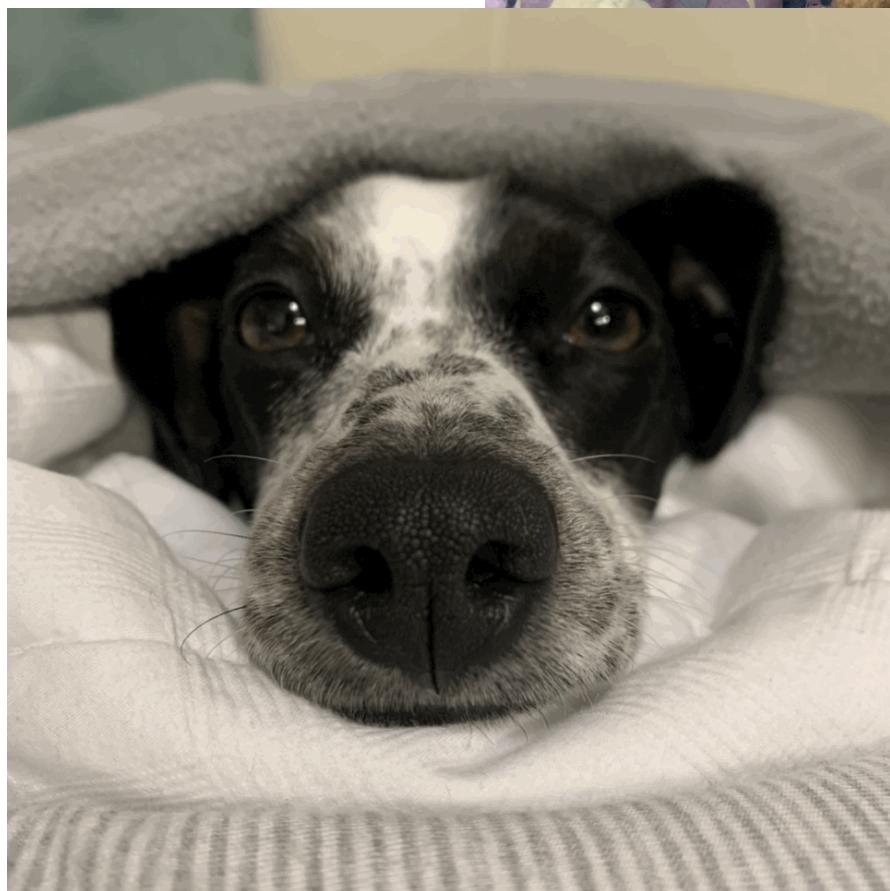


Submitted by Grace Laigaie





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"Here are a few photos of my welsh corgis, Patrick and Holly Poppins! They're the goodest dogs ever and live at my house in Ohio where they get lots of love and attention from my family while I am in school."

Submitted by Anna Kempf



"I'm an amateur dog photographer and love using my smartphone camera to capture pets in their cutest and dorkiest moments."



"I'd love to practice my skills with the cute dogs on campus, so if you would like some free photos of your pet, message @ cabincreekcorgis on Instagram to set up a photo session."

Submitted by Anna Kempf

"Hi!

Here are some pictures of Luana
my 13 week old Holland Lop for
the Omen.

Thanks!

Hannah"

Submitted by Hannah Ballentine





Submitted by Hannah Ballentine



"Hi, Omen people!

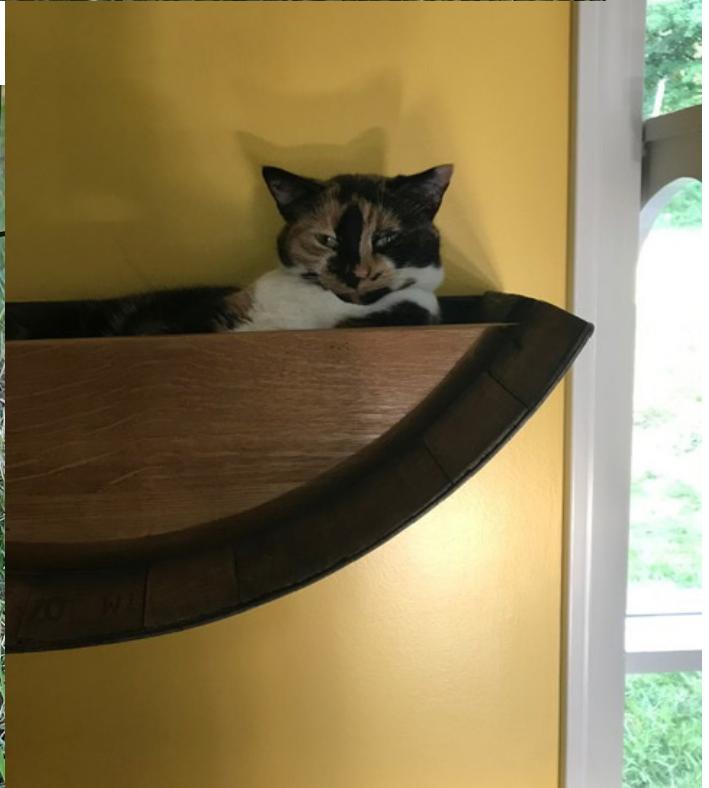
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This is Martin. He thinks that life is great because his people are home so much more than they were before the pandemic.

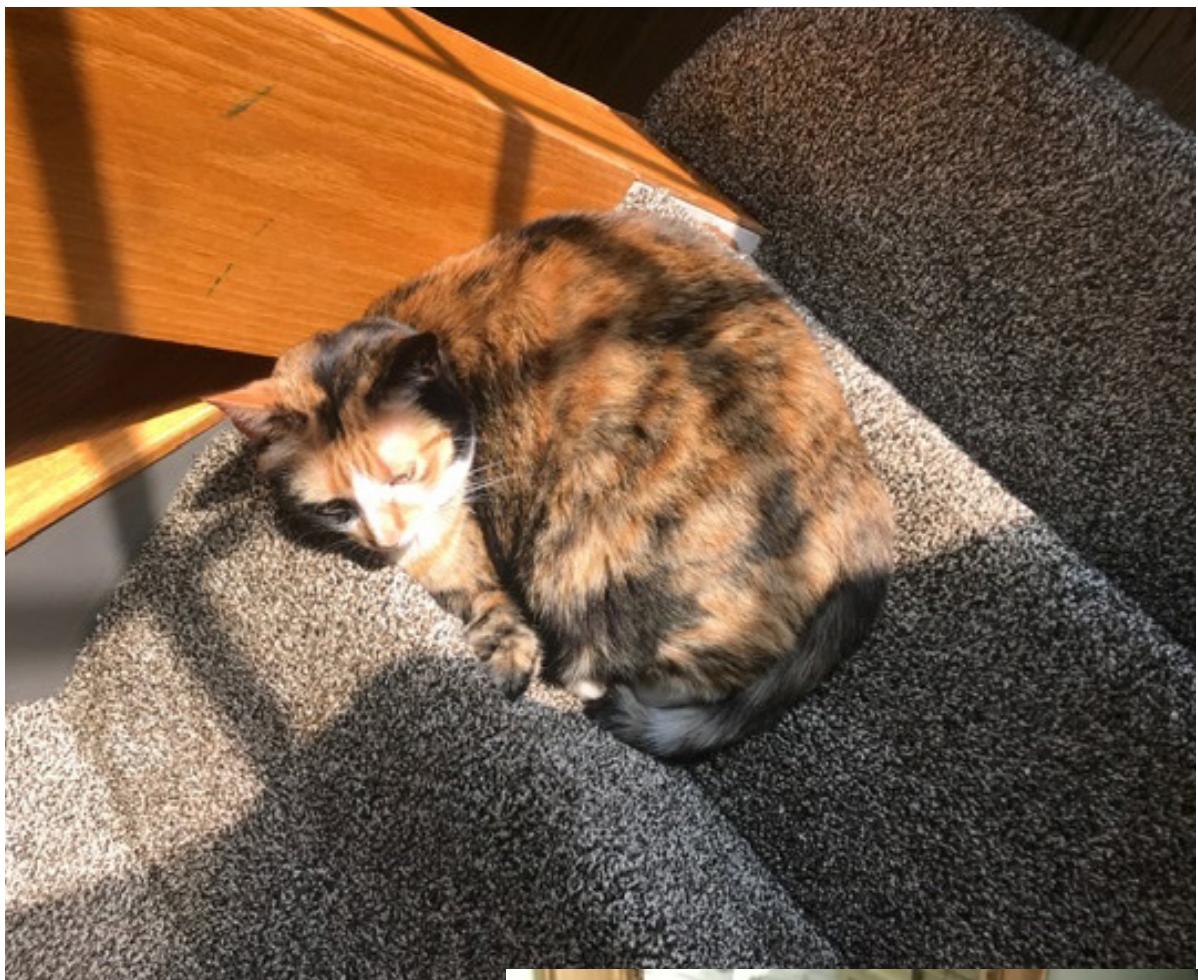
Best,
Becky Miller"



Submitted by Hannah Ballentine



Submitted by Finn Scott



Submitted by Finn Scott

"Mya,
Peaches,
n
Penelope"

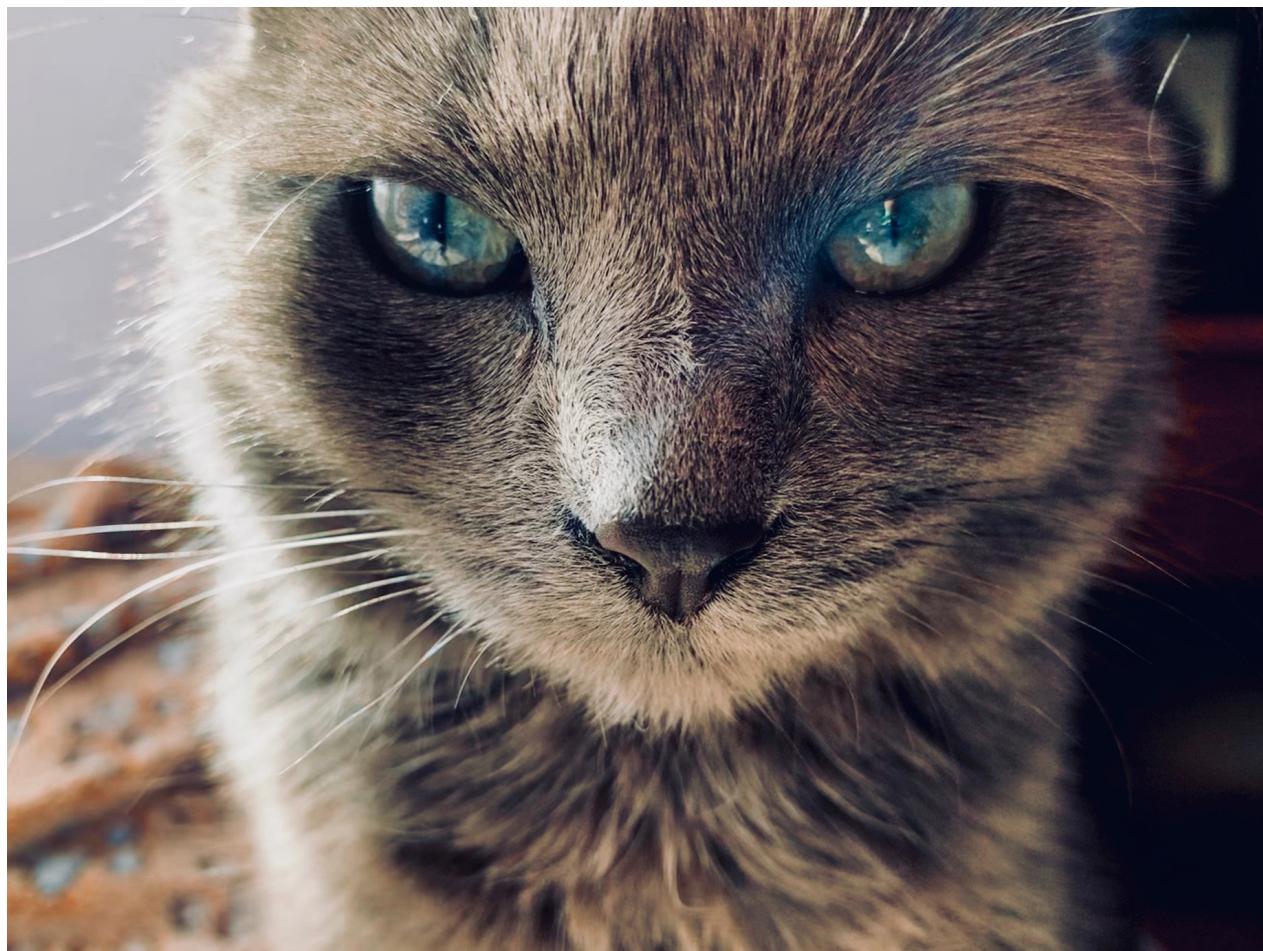




“here’s
my dog
maggie
and my
cat fuji!”

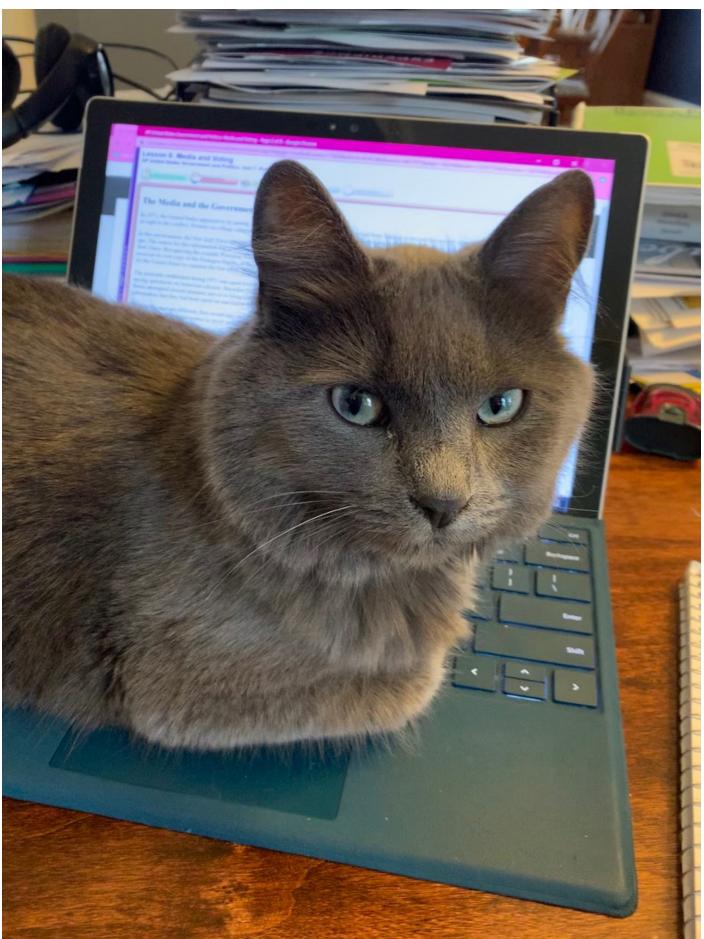
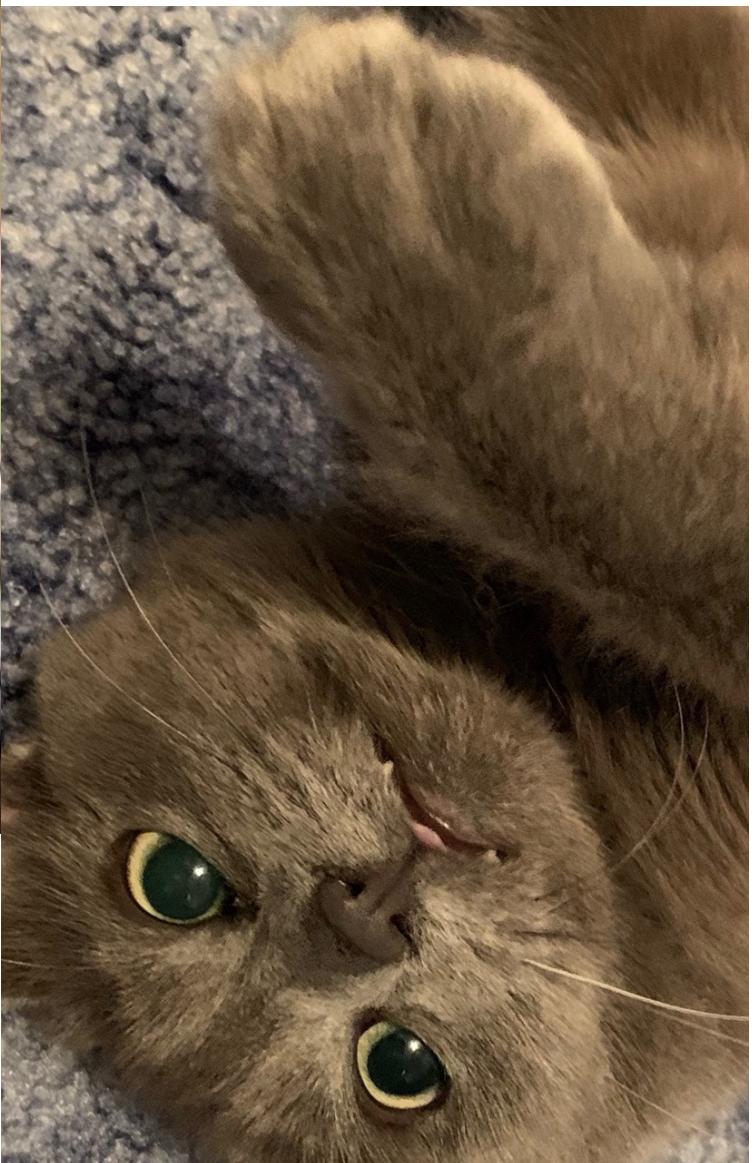
Submitted by Haley Price





Submitted by Katharine Davis





"Hello,

Attached is a picture of my cat Theo (full name Theodosia, but we never call her that. My mom's a big Hamilton fan.). My younger brother took the picture; it's a rare moment when she looks dignified like this. :)

(I miss her even though it's been less than two weeks.)

Katharine Davis, 20F"

Submitted by Chloe Omelchuck F15

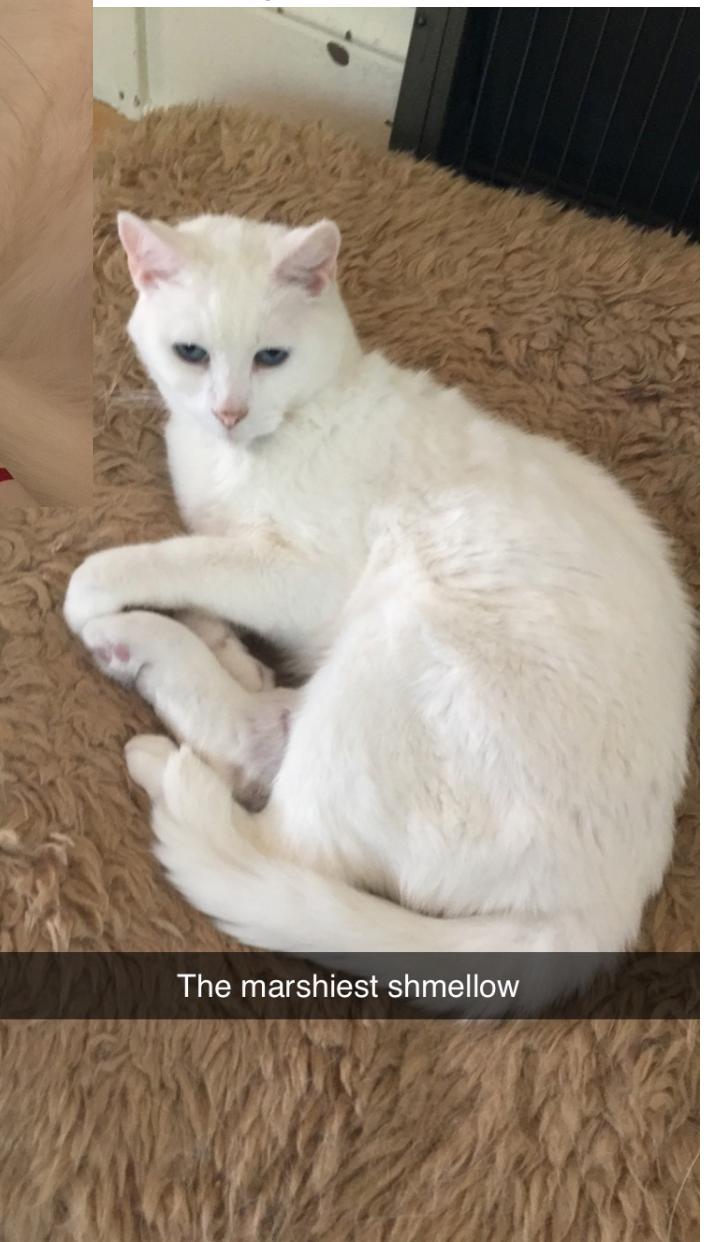


"I have included both photos of Gucci (my dog)."



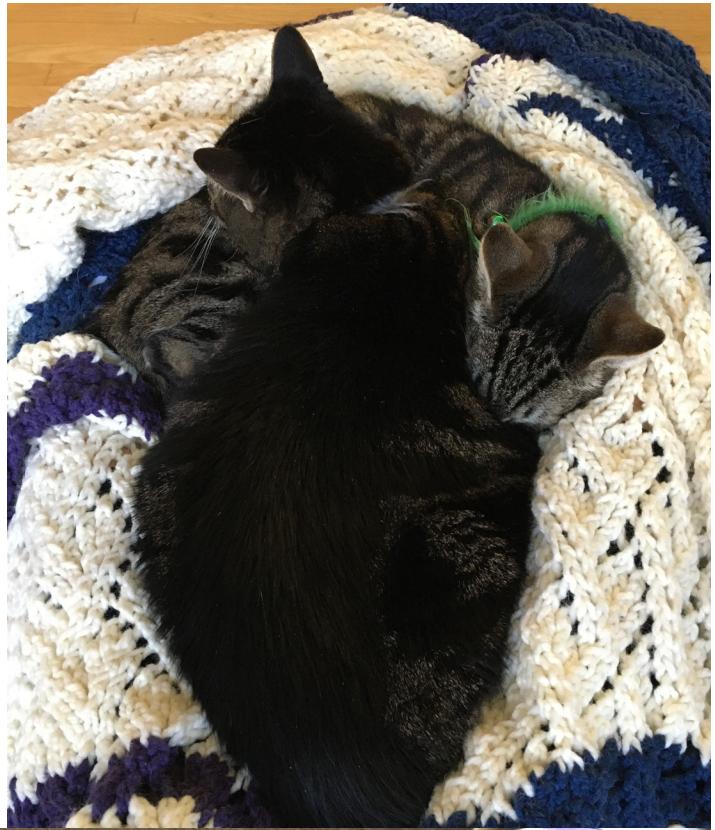
“Their names are Charlie (the marshmallow), Orion (the cinnamon bun), and Cody (the cuddly photogenic one).”

Submitted by Chloe Omelchuck





A cinnamon bun



Paint me like one of your French cats



Submitted by Chloe Omelchuck



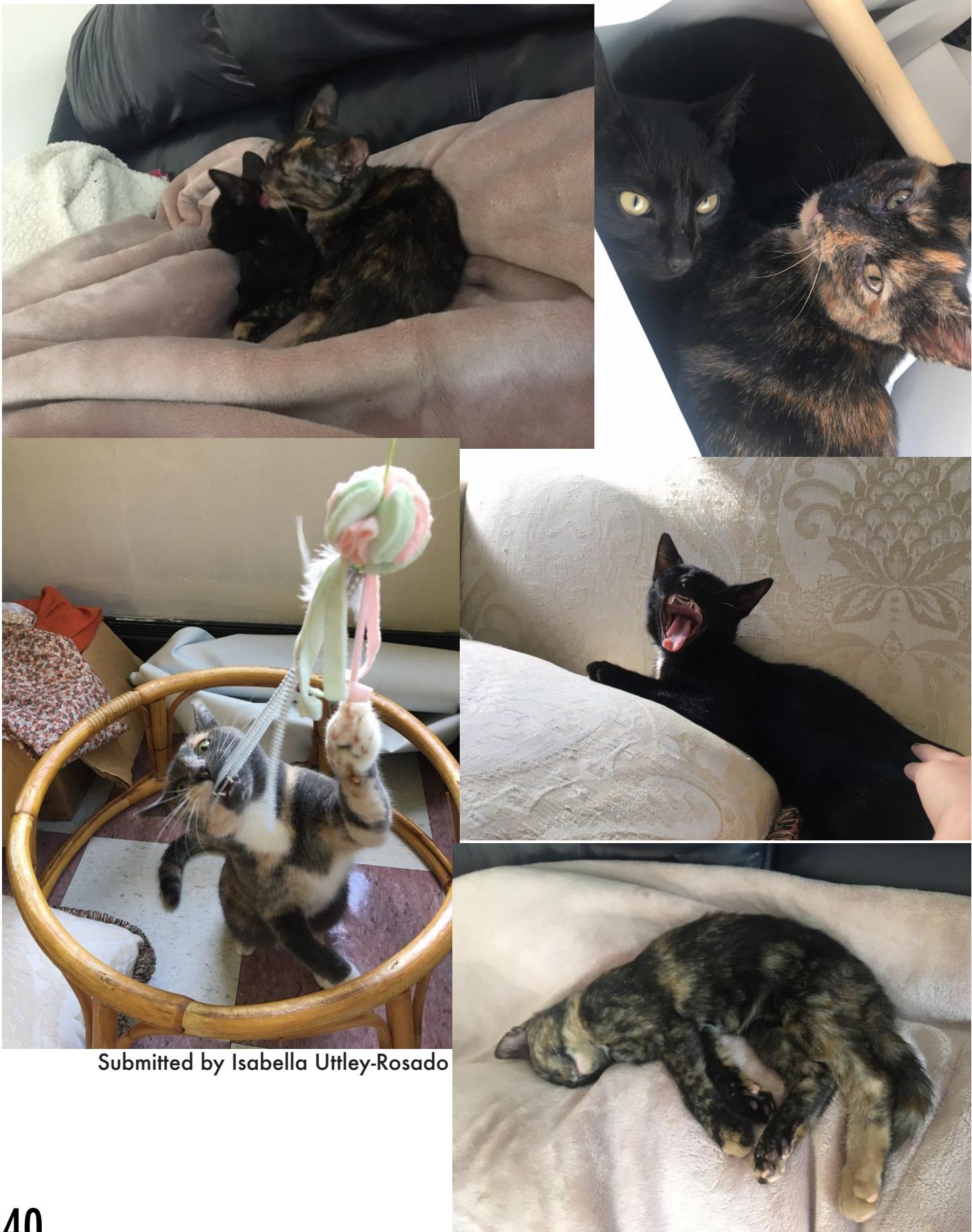


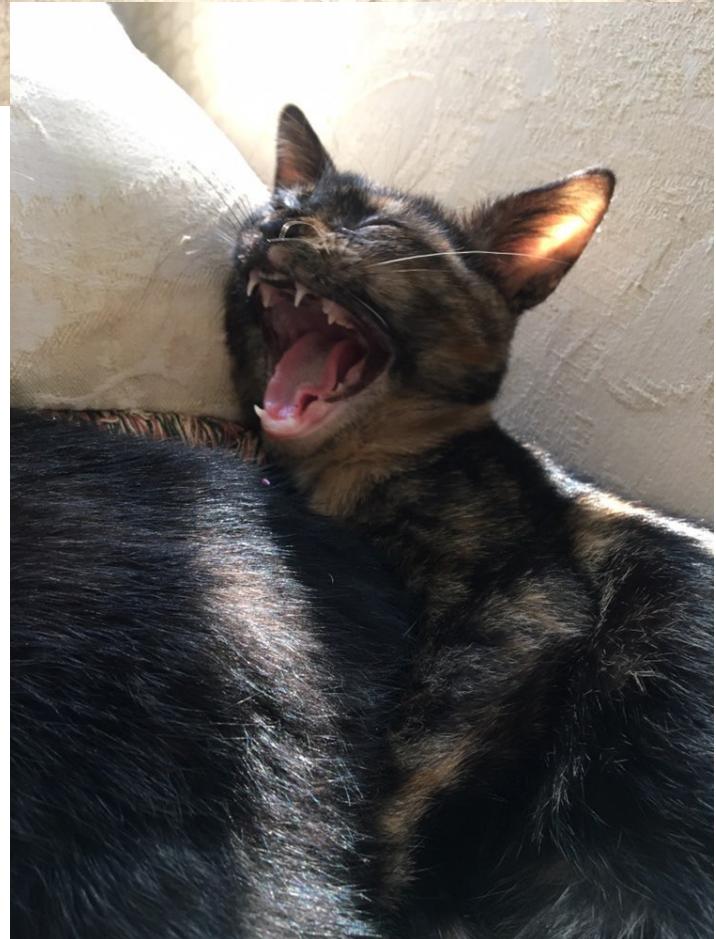
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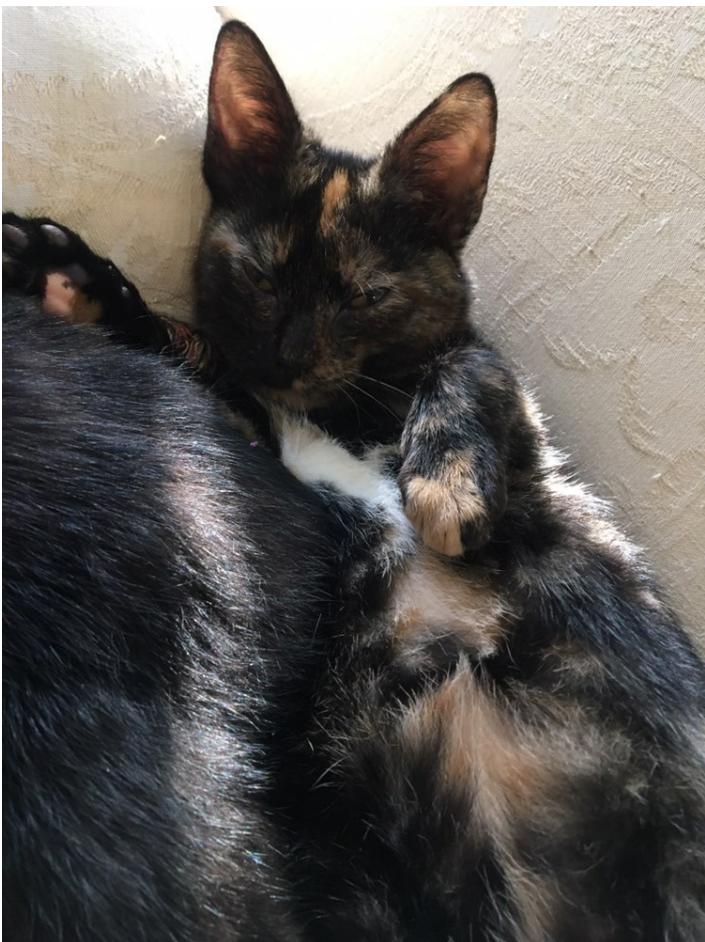


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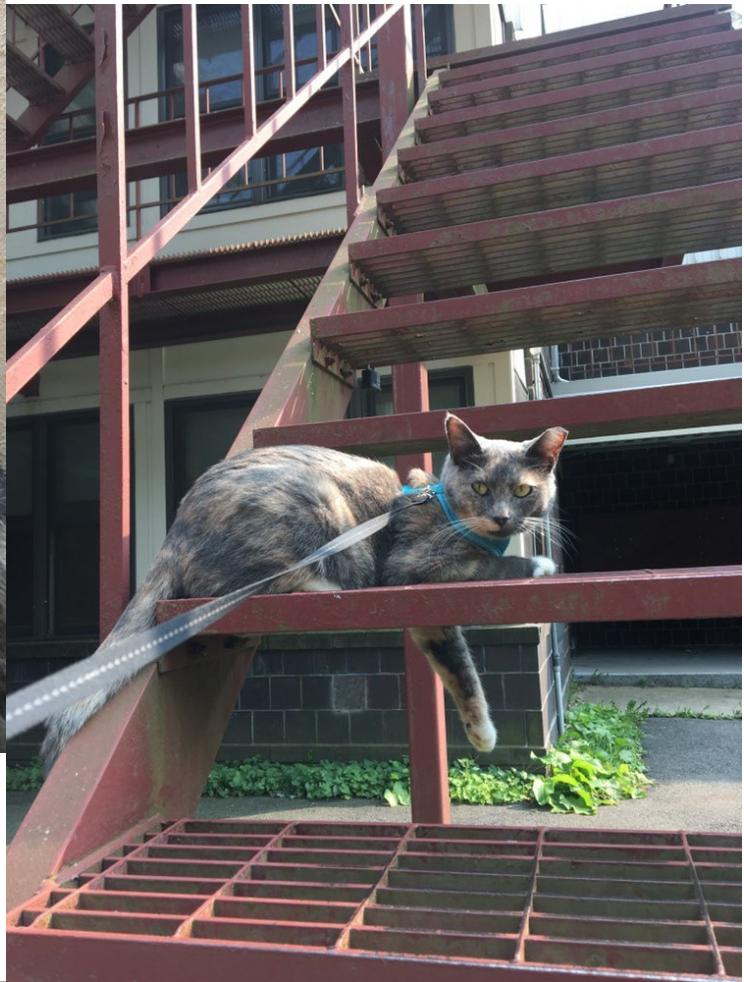


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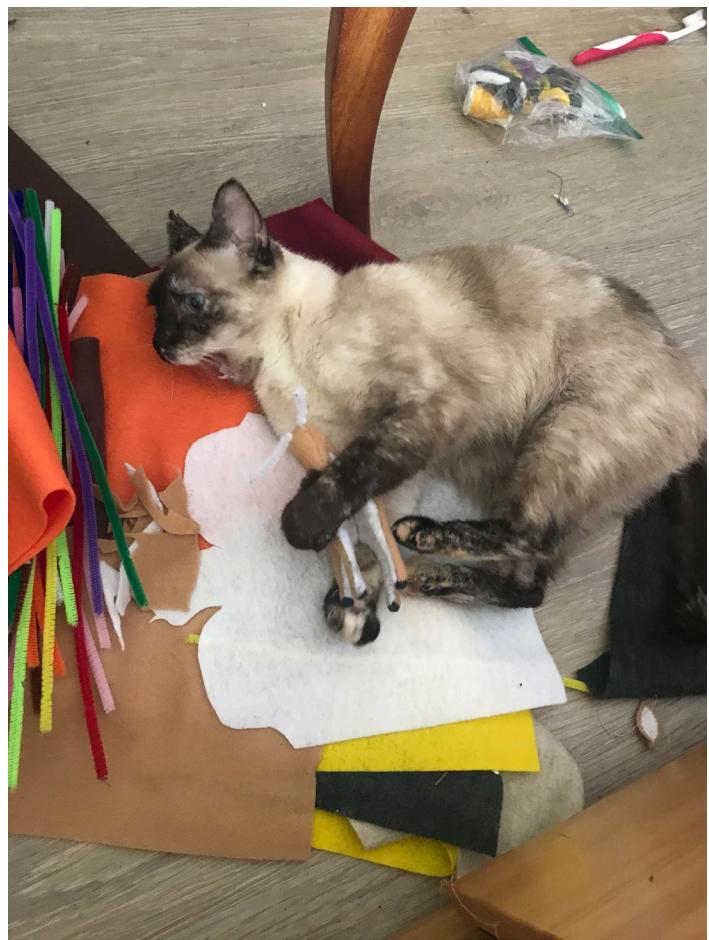


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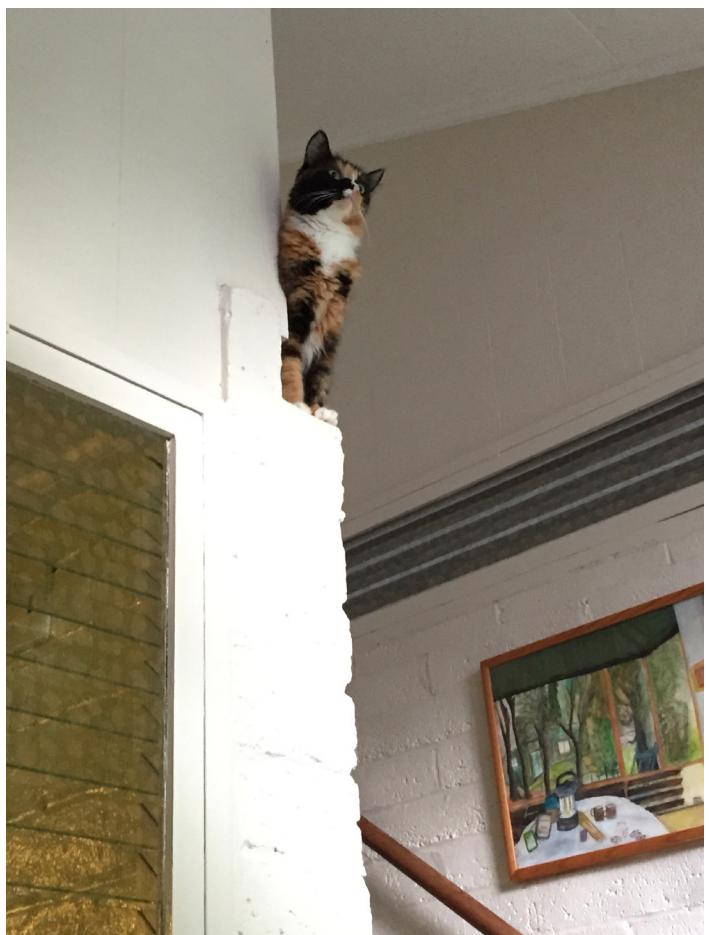
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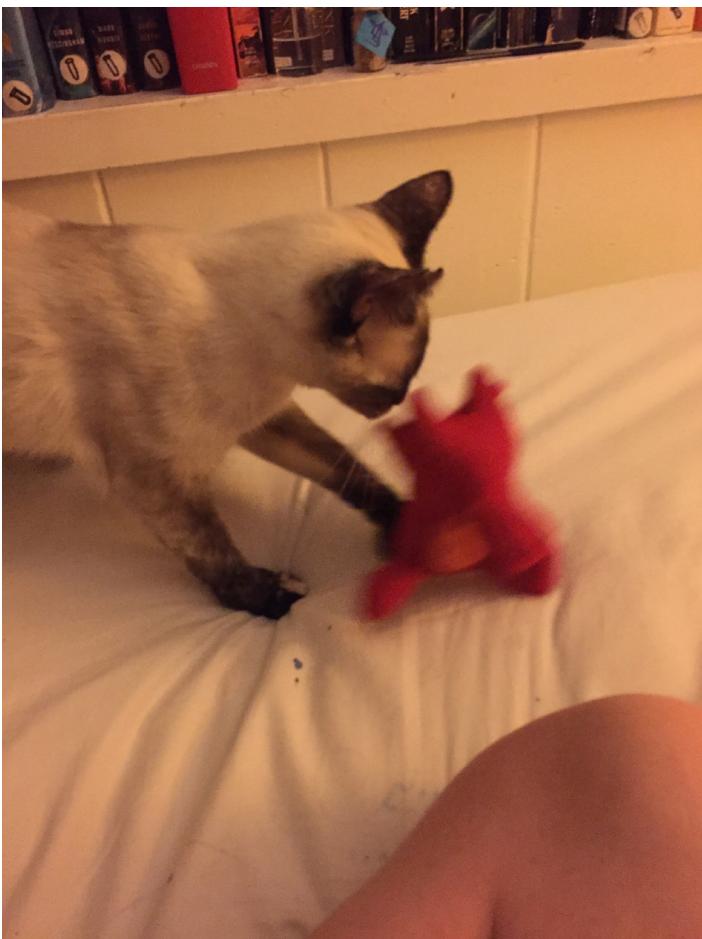


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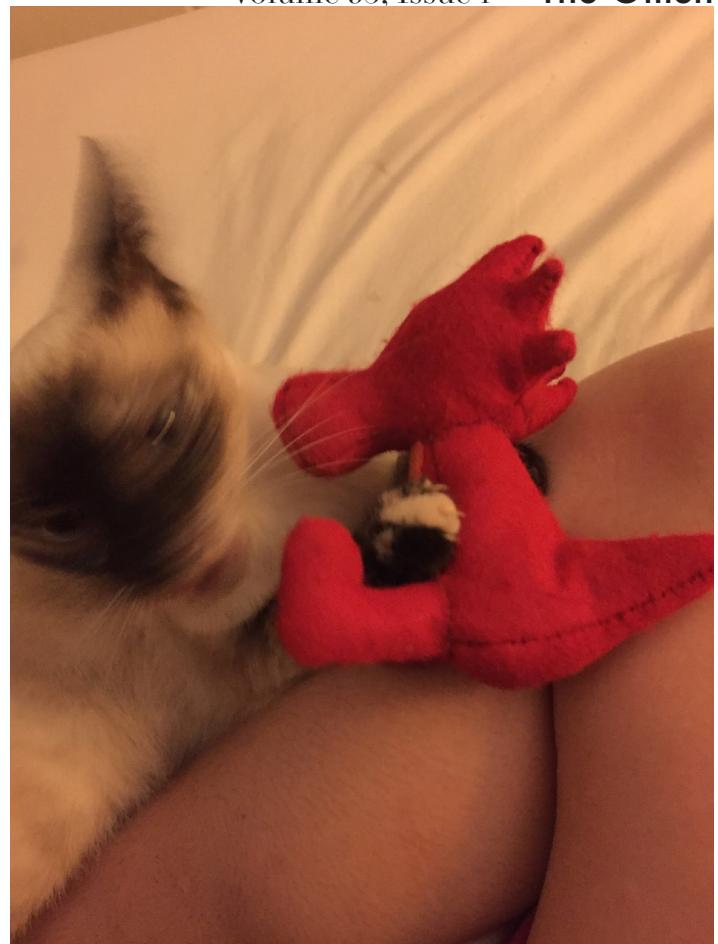
Submitted
by Emily
Alden
Black

"regal dipshit"





"dipshit attacking a stuffed dragon 1"



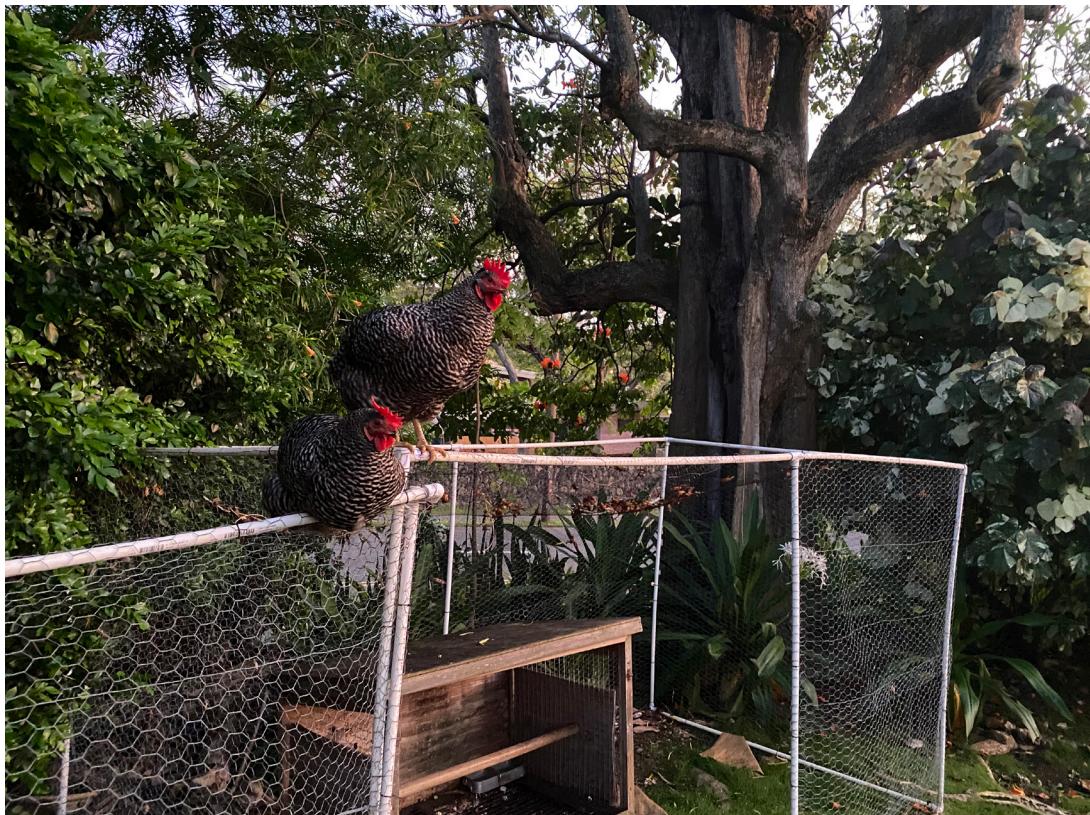
"dipshit attacking a stuffed dragon 2"



Submitted
by Emily
Alden
Black

"broody dipshit"

Submitted by Emily Alden Black





Submitted by Emily Alden Black



The Omen leaf sheep

want YOU to submit